

HOUSE SLASHES APPROPRIATIONS

INDEPENDENCE FOR PHILIPPINES

(Associated Press Cable to The Star.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Ocampo and De Leon the two delegates from the Philippines addressed the House today in opposition to allowing free trade between the Philippines and the United States and entered a strong plea for the independence of the island possessions.

INCREASE DUTIES ON TRUST SUGAR

NEW YORK, April 2.—An increase of over a million and a quarter dollars has been ordered in the sugar duties to be paid by the American Refining Company upon the sugar which it imports.

ROOSEVELT CALLS AT BRITISH PORT

GIBRALTAR, April 2.—President Roosevelt called upon the British governor of this port today.

TEN JURORS SWORN IN CALHOUN CASE

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—It is now the end of the tenth week since the work of selecting jurors for the trial of Calhoun in the graft prosecution was commenced. Ten jurors have been sworn in.

WANTS TEDDY TO BE HIS GUEST

ROME, Italy, April 2.—The King of Italy will meet ex-President Roosevelt at Naples. The King desires that the ex-President will avail himself of an invitation to accompany him to Sicily on an Italian warship.

JAPANESE BAND WILL GIVE EVENING CONCERTS

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 2.—Lieutenant Leigh Palmer has been selected as naval aide to President Taft, taking the position made vacant by Captain Sims, who has been assigned to the command of the Minnesota.

The band of the Japanese flag ship Aso will play in Aala Park from 7 to 9 o'clock tomorrow evening.

G. Nakamura, a member of the Japanese reception committee, called on Mayor Fern this morning and on behalf of Admiral Ichiji tendered the services of the flag ship Aso's band for a series of public evening concerts in the various parks of the city.

At the time of his call Mr. Nakamura was unable to say on what evenings the band would be disengaged for the proposed concerts. The Admiral will issue orders for whatever evenings may be open.

Mayor Fern on behalf of the citizens thanked Admiral Ichiji through Mr. Nakamura for the courteous offer.

PRESIDENT WANTS QUICKER ACTION

W. O. SMITH CALLS FACT THAT END OF LEGISLATIVE SESSION IS APPROACHING TO ATTENTION OF MEMBERS OF THE SENATE—MINIMUM PAY BILL PASSES THIRD READING AGAINST FAIRCHILD'S FIGHT—\$5000 FOR RELIEF OF JOHN A. CUMMINS.

When the Senate opened its morning session today President Smith took occasion to call the attention of the members to the fact that but 21 days more remained in which to transact business. He stated that up to this time the Senate had finally disposed of 23 bills, of which 41 had originated in the House. There are still on hand 51 Senate bills and 31 House bills. He stated that it was very gratifying to note that of the ten bills which had been vetoed by Governor Frear, none had been Senate bills. He urged the members of the various committees to hurry their work through as quickly as possible.

The bill placing the pay of territorial and county laborers at a minimum of \$1.50 passed third reading and will now go back to the House as amended. It was bitterly fought by Senator Fairchild, who was supported by some of the country members, but they were unable to muster up enough votes to kill the act. If it is vetoed by Governor Frear, as the general understanding seems to be, it is doubtful if enough votes can be mustered in the Senate to pass over his veto. The present law in which the minimum pay of the territorial laborers is placed at \$1.25 per day was vetoed in the last session but passed over the Governor's head.

Sensor Fairchild took a couple of staps at Land Commissioner Pratt during the discussion of the bill to provide for the building of roads through public lands opened for settlement, though he did not mention the official by name. None of the other members rose to defend the territorial official.

The bill appropriating \$5000 for the reimbursement of John A. Cummins, for a fine inflicted when he was tried for treason passed with little difficulty. It is one which has been before the Legislature at each session for some years.

THE SENATE.
THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY.
The Committee on Public Lands reported favorably on the bill for the protection of beneficial birds. The act providing for the construction of roads through public lands opened for settlement was also recommended for passage with a number of minor amendments. The new act provides that preference for the building of roads shall be given to the settlers on the lands opened. The report was tabled to be considered with the bill.

It was recommended that Senate bill 50 be tabled as the subject matter had already been covered by bill 115, which passed the Senate last week. The report was adopted.

House bill 51, relating to inventories of government assets, was reported with the recommendation that it be amended by the addition of a new section making it the duty of the tax assessors to submit the required inventories to the Treasurer not later than Sept. 30 of each year.

The Committee on Ways and Means reported favorably on the House bill 50, providing that all moneys received from agricultural and industrial pursuits at Lahaina and the Boys' Industrial School be deposited with the Treasurer to be used for the maintenance and operation of the schools. The Committee reported favorably on House bill 3 raising the exemption on income tax from \$1000 to \$1500. Baker's bill that all second hand dealers must furnish a list of business done each month to the police was recommended for passage. Senate bill 117, on taxation was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Sensor Coelho introduced a resolution that an item of \$5000 be inserted in the appropriation bill for the relief of poor blind people of Hawaii. It was referred to the Committee on Public Health.

Coelho moved to defer the consideration of the Governor's appointments for one week. The motion was unanimously carried.

Senate bill 79 allowing appeals on points of law in criminal cases by the Territory came up for second reading. Kaundsen moved to pass second reading and McCarthy to table. The latter's motion prevailed by a vote of 8-5 and the bill was killed.

Senate bill 95 providing for the return of a \$5000 fine to John A. Cummins passed third reading, after being referred to the Judiciary Committee.

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COALING THE JAP WARSHIPS

The "Japanese way" of coaling a warship is to be witnessed at the naval station today, and a great sight it is to those used to the big basket arrangement of other navies. As was probably to be expected large crowds have remained around the docks to see the curious work go on, but it must be said that there was general approval of the scheme as to speed and also as a safeguard against the clouds of coal dust which come from the big basket arrangement.

The carrier of the Japanese is a small, shallow basket, carrying less than a half bushel of coal. These, being very light, are easily and rapidly handled. A double line of men are stationed from the wharf up the side of the vessel, along the deck and to the shute into the bunkers. The baskets, started from below, are passed rapidly up, from hand to hand, keeping a constant stream of coal descending the shute. Three sets of men, about thirty in each gang, are at work at each of the two vessels, and the rapidly with which they get away with the coal keeps a long string of coal carts on the jump.

But this is not the only way the vessels are being coaled. Early this morning the coal railway of the I. I. S. N. Co. was set going, and car followed rapidly after car over the track to the Bishop slip, where the coal was dumped onto huge lighters. This process was particularly fast and satisfactory. President Kennedy, of the I. I. S. N. Co. personally superintended the work. When the lighters were moved to the warships, the same process of taking it aboard in small baskets was begun and successfully carried on.

About 1500 tons altogether are being taken by the two ships. The coal was purchased from the Inter-Island S. S. Company, that concern having offered it at a low, bulk figure.

To the casual observer, the process of loading seems slow, inasmuch as the baskets are so tiny; but, as a matter of fact, it is one of the fastest schemes ever employed here. This is not hard to understand when it is remembered that there is a constant "stream" of coal going up the side of either ship all the time.

LILLIPUTIAN SHOW OFF FOR TONIGHT

Owing to the probable early departure of the S. S. Makura this evening the vaudeville performance of the Lilliputians arranged for tonight has been called off.

The Lilliputians were tendered an ovation last night that they will long remember. All their friends were there to give them a farewell that should go a long way toward showing the little people how much they will be missed when they sail away in the Makura tonight.

Flowers, candy boxes, odd-looking packages, heaps of roses and leis were passed up over the footlights at the end of the first act, and the children, leaving their stations with little cries of delight, rushed to the front and gathered them up, piling them up at the back of the stage. Between the acts, the flowers and presents were distributed, and the happy little youngsters received many tributes from friends. In the closing chorus they all wore the leis and flowers and the effect was very pretty.

SPECIAL DELINEATOR OFFER.
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HALF MILLION IS SAVED TERRITORY

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORTS ON RESULTS OF ITS LABORS ON THE BIENNIAL EXPENSE APPROPRIATION BILL—THIRD READING TOMORROW—COUNTY GOVERNMENT REDUCES ESTIMATES FOR TERRITORIAL MANAGEMENT.

Chairman Cohen of Committee of the Whole of the House of Representatives this morning handed in the report of the Committee on House Bill 74, the biennial expense appropriation measure, wherein amendments to the bill were shown to have reduced the total from \$3,248,226 to \$2,717,876, a reduction of over half a million dollars, or \$530,350.

The report of the Committee was adopted, the bill thereby passing second reading and it will come on the order of the day tomorrow for third reading. Transfer to counties of many responsibilities, now in the hands of the Territory, accounts for most of the saving in biennial expenses of the Territory.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY.
Morning Session.

Sensor Fairchild's bill to regulate the expenditure of public money passed third reading in the House this morning.

Sensor Brown's bill to provide for the sanitary regulation of dairies, up for third reading, was deferred for consideration.

Sensor Coelho's measure to provide for a hospital in Lahaina was also deferred. It will be taken up Monday next.

Sensor Harvey's bill relating to leper settlement and hospitals was deferred until a week from tomorrow that, in the meanwhile, it might be ascertained just what connection it has with the House bill on the same subject which passed the House yesterday.

The joint resolution on the hours of duty in public offices passed third reading in the House.

Rice's bill providing for the refund of territorial bonded indebtedness passed third reading.

Kealawa's bill, prohibiting the catching of fish by nets in Hilo bay for the next two years, passed third reading.

Kealawa entered a resolution for \$1,000 for a pallo's cottage at Kipahulu, Maui.

REPORT ON APPROPRIATIONS.
A recess was taken subject to the call of the Speaker for the purpose of completing the report of the committee of the Whole on the biennial expense appropriation bill. The report embraces the following facts:

Adjutant General, \$225, reduced to \$200.
Archives librarian reduced from \$150 to \$125.
Promotion, \$250, stricken out.
Attorney General's department reduced from \$37,800 to \$29,400.

The High Sheriff and warden of the Territorial prison and jailor, Honolulu jail, is relieved of being jailor of Honolulu jail.

New item: Deputy High Sheriff and clerk, \$100.
Deputy warden is stricken out.
The guarding of prisoners is reduced

from \$32,840 to \$28,000.
Hawaii, Maui and Kauai items for prison guards are stricken out.
Maintenance of prisoners becomes \$40,000 instead of \$95,000.
An item of \$10,000 for lunas is stricken out.
Deputy auditor, \$200, is stricken.
Auditing expenses are reduced from \$5,600 to \$2,400.
Treasury department: Liquor law expenses are cut from \$17,000 to \$5,000.
Public instruction: Total general expenses reduced from \$126,500 to \$48,650.
Normal inspectors, reduced from three to one, and expenses cut from \$14,100 to \$6,000.
Teachers raised from \$706,000 to \$775,000.
College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts: \$5,000 expenses cut out and expenses lumped without increase of the proposed appropriation, with salaries and payrolls, so as to read "salaries, payrolls, and expenses \$15,000."
Public Works: General expenses reduced from \$41,060 to \$29,520.
Government property caretakers are raised \$10 per month each, as are government property laborers.
Under maintenance, repairs and addition, public works, Oahu's appropriation is cut from \$25,000 to \$11,600; Hawaii from \$6,500 to \$3,500; Maui from \$5,000 to \$1,000 and Kauai from \$4,000 to \$1,000, a reduction from \$40,500 to \$16,500.
Maui gets \$6,000 instead of \$5,000 for landings and wharves repairs, etc.
Assistant harbormaster is stricken out.
Pilots are raised from \$200 to \$225.
Pilots' watchman is raised from \$500 to \$65.
Expenses are raised from \$7,800 to \$11,520.
New item: Expenses, pilot boats \$600.
Diamond head watchman is reduced from \$75 to \$65.
New item: Incidentals, \$1,000.
Waterworks, sewer works and hydrographic survey are all stricken out.
Board of Health: President's salary cut from \$275 to \$150 and general expenses reduced from \$30,160 to \$25,360.
Sanitation, items stricken.
Food commissioner and analyst reduced from \$150 to \$125. Pure food expenses are reduced from \$9,000 to \$2,000.
The bacteriologist and pathologist is stricken out.

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